# EXHIBIT 4

### Matt H. Cline

From: Matt H. Cline

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 06, 2016 9:03 AM **To:** 'Gerard Stranch'; 'Ben Gastel'; 'Kent Krause'

**Cc:** Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward

**Subject:** RE: MTC to SSC/Lister

### Gerard:

Here is a further explanation to permit you to evaluate the claim of privilege for the emails you identified:

SSC – 5890 – 91 – Series of emails 10/8/12 between Kim Bowlin and the members of SSC, copying Calisher and Associates, CJ Gideon, Matt Cline, and Jeff Woods (an attorney at SVMIC). As indicated in the unredacted email, the email chain pertains to restarting steroid injections at SSC. The emails are privileged by attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, and/or the joint defense privilege.

SSC – 5892 – Email dated 11/15/12 to CJ Gideon, Matt Cline, Jeff Woods (again, an attorney at SVMIC) from Kim Bowlin forwarding the unredacted information below with a note to us. The redacted email is covered by attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, and/or the joint defense privilege.

Thanks.

### Matt

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From: Matt H. Cline

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 05, 2016 5:47 PM **To:** 'Gerard Stranch'; Ben Gastel; Kent Krause

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Yes. The confusion arose from the typo. I'll be in touch.

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**From:** Gerard Stranch [mailto:gerards@bsjfirm.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 5:08 PM

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To: Matt H. Cline; Ben Gastel; Kent Krause

**Cc:** Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward **Subject:** RE: MTC to SSC/Lister

Matt,

We want information to evaluate the privilege with respect to Exhibit 3 to SSC's Responses to the 2<sup>nd</sup> RFPs, which contained redactions at SSC-05890-92. The only information we have is a representation in the Response to RFP #1 that "emails between SSC and counsel" have been redacted. That is not sufficient for us to evaluate the claim of privilege.

I think the confusion is over a typo in the brief that at one point references the 1<sup>st</sup> RFPs and not the 2<sup>nd</sup> RFPs.

Does that answer your question?

Gerard

From: Matt H. Cline [mailto:matt@gideoncooper.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 5, 2016 11:49 AM **To:** Ben Gastel; Kent Krause; Gerard Stranch

**Cc:** Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward **Subject:** RE: MTC to SSC/Lister

Gerard/Ben:

I am still waiting for a substantive response to my email of 12/20 below (see highlighting). When can I expect a response?

Thanks.

Matt

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**From:** Ben Gastel [mailto:beng@bsjfirm.com] **Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2015 2:25 PM **To:** Matt H. Cline; Kent Krause; Gerard Stranch

**Cc:** Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward **Subject:** RE: MTC to SSC/Lister

We are fine with both extensions. As for the first issue in the letter below, Gerard has been traveling and out of the office, but when he is back next week we will get back to you.

Thank You,

Ben Gastel

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From: Matt H. Cline [mailto:matt@gideoncooper.com]

Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 2:22 PM

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Cc: Chris J. Tardio <chris@gideoncooper.com>; Ginger F. Ward <ginger@gideoncooper.com>

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Importance: High

### Gerard/Ben:

Kent and I are still waiting for a response to our emails below. Please let us hear from you by 4:00 pm CST today regarding the extensions.

### Thanks.

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**From:** Kent Krause [mailto:KKrause@bkblaw.com] **Sent:** Sunday, December 20, 2015 3:00 PM

To: Matt H. Cline; 'Gerard Stranch (gerards@bsjfirm.com)'; beng@bsjfirm.com

**Cc:** Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward **Subject:** RE: MTC to SSC/Lister

Gerard and Ben, ditto on the Motion to Modify. Response is due 12/29. Can we file a stipulation on that one as well?

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Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2015 1:42 PM

**To:** 'Gerard Stranch (<a href="mailto:gerards@bsjfirm.com">gerards@bsjfirm.com</a>)'; <a href="mailto:beng@bsjfirm.com">beng@bsjfirm.com</a>)'; <a href="mailto:beng@bsjfirm.com">beng@bsjfir

Cc: Kent Krause; Chris J. Tardio; Ginger F. Ward

Subject: MTC to SSC/Lister

Gerard/Ben:

I write regarding your motion to compel directed to SSC and Dr. Lister at Doc. 2494.

First, you have asked the Court to compel us to provide information about redactions in Exhibit 3 to SSC's Responses to the PSC's First Requests for Production. What redactions are you referring to? We provided an explanation both in our responses themselves (e.g., Response to Request for Production 7) and on the coversheets to the various subcategories of documents within Exhibit 3 (e.g., SSC – 00240). If there are specific documents to which you are referring, please identify them by Bates number. I think we can probably resolve this issue without court intervention, but it was never brought up in our previous "meet and confers."

Second, given the holidays, we will likely need the 10-day extension permitted by MDL Order No. 11 to respond. Please let us know if you will consent to the extension so we can file either a stipulation or notice of extension. Our deadline is currently December 28. I believe the 10-day extension would make our deadline January 7.

Thanks.

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